

**TENNESSEE COMMISSION FOR THE UNITED STATES SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL COMMISSION
WebEx Video Conference
Nashville, Tennessee**

**Minutes
April 9, 2021**

The Tennessee Commission for the United States Semiquicentennial Commission met this day at 9:00 AM CT for a meeting, electronic only, using a WebEx forum. Notice being given seven (7) days prior on the Tennessee Department of Tourist Development website.

Pursuant to T.C.A. § 8-44-102(2), the content of the discussion of this meeting will not be used for deliberation so this was not considered a meeting for statutory purposes. A quorum was therefore not required. An official roll call was not taken due to the status that the discussion occurring did not constitute a meeting. Members present/absent are notated in the minutes.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jennifer Core	Ashley Howell
Commissioner Mark Ezell	Carroll Van West
Steve Gaines	Cecile Wimberley

MEMBERS ABSENT

Rep. Clark Boyd
Sen. Rusty Crowe
Sen. Todd Gardenhire
Rep. G.A. Hardaway
Dr. Warren Dockter
Patrick McIntyre
Chuck Sherrill

GUESTS PRESENT

Melanie Beauchamp, Department of Tourist Development, Assistant Commissioner of Rural Tourism & Outreach
Ashley Fuqua, Department of Tourist Development, Legislative Liaison & Acting Secretary for the Commission
Andi Grindley, Department of Tourist Development, Outreach Projects Coordinator

Terry Brown, Director of Federal Partnerships, America 250 Foundation
Anna Laymon, VP of Programs and Planning, America 250 Foundation
Kelsey Millay, Director of State Partnerships, America 250 Foundation

AGENDA

Because a quorum was not established, the official business of the posted April agenda was not discussed.

Welcome, West

Presentation by America 250 group.

- Anna Laymon introduced the purpose and mission of the America 250 Foundation.
- Terry Brown discussed the responsibility of the federal partnership role. 200+ federal agencies will be working together on the celebration.
- Kelsey Millay presented a powerpoint to the Commission. The powerpoint discussed the federal commission and foundation along with its goals, partnerships, and celebrations. The America 250 Foundation is the 501(c)(3) arm of the federally created commission.
 - Discussed working together to get an official partnership with Tennessee and what this would mean for branding, events, etc.
 - K.Millay@america250.org
- Wimberley asked for the meeting link to be shared so Commission members could view the presentation.

Closing Remarks, West

After the presentation, West adjourned the meeting.

Approved:



6/4/2021

Date

Ashley Fuqua, Acting Secretary
Department of Tourist Development